

CLAIMS

1. Electronic device, comprising

interfaces for connecting output units to said device,

5 a control unit for controlling the routing of messages, said messages being determined to be presented to a user of said device via at least one of said output units, said control unit being configured for:

determining at least one of said output units for routing a message to based on a result of a message classification process, and

10 routing said message to that interface serving said determined output unit.

2. The electronic device as recited in claim 1, further comprising a stored look-up table with classification levels being allocated to output units.

15 3. The electronic device as recited in claim 1, further comprising a classification unit for running said classification process for classifying to be output messages.

4. The electronic device as recited in claim 1, wherein said classification process is configured for classifying a message on the basis of its content.

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5. The electronic device as recited in claim 1, wherein said classification process is configured for classifying a message on the basis of its presentability.

6. The electronic device as recited in claim 1, wherein said classification process is configured for
25 classifying a message on the basis of its sender.

7. The electronic device as recited in claim 1, wherein said classification process is configured for classifying a message on the basis of its confidentiality level.

8. The electronic device as recited in claim 1, comprising an identification unit for identifying connected output units and for making said control unit determine only one or more of said identified output units for routing a message to.

5 9. The electronic device as recited in claim 1, wherein said electronic device is a portable device.

10. A method for routing an electronic message from an electronic device to an output unit, comprising automatically controlled steps of:

10 determining at least one of several output units based on a result of a message
classification process; and
initiating said message to be routed to said determined output unit for presenting said
message to a user of said electronic device.

11. A method as recited in claim 10, wherein said message is classified and said classification
15 result is provided.

12. A method as recited in claim 11, wherein said message is classified based on its content.

13. A method as recited in claim 11, wherein said message is classified based on its
20 presentability.

14. A method as recited in claim 11, wherein said message is classified based on its sender.

15. A method as recited in claim 11, wherein said message is classified based on its
25 confidentiality level.

16. A method as recited in claim 10, wherein the availability of output units is checked, and
wherein only one or more of the available output units can be determined for routing said
message to.

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17. A program storage device readable by a digital processing apparatus and having a program of instructions which are tangibly embodied on the storage device and which are executable by the processing apparatus to perform a method of routing an electronic message from an electronic device to at least one of a plurality of output units, said method comprising:

- 5 determining at least one of said output units based upon a message classification process;
and initiating said message to be routed to said determined output for presenting said
message to a user of said electronic device.

wherein only one or more of the available output units can be determined for routing said message to.

17. A program storage device readable by a digital processing apparatus and having a program of
5 instructions which are tangibly embodied on the storage device and which are executable by the processing apparatus to perform a method of routing an electronic message from an electronic device to at least one of a plurality of output units, said method comprising:

determining at least one of said output units based upon a message classification process;
and initiating said message to be routed to said determined output for presenting said

10 message to a user of said electronic device.